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REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUATION-IN-PART
APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending Application No. 10/196,160 filed on July 17, 2002, for HEATING ELEMENT CONDITION MONITOR, by the following named inventor(s):

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☐ Applicant(s) hereby requests that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

☐ Applicant(s) suggests the inclusion of Figure for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and/or patent.

☐ Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information:

1. ☒ Enclosed is/are 22 W/H sheet(s) of drawings.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a certified copy of the priority document.
3. ☐ Enclosed is an Assignment document.
4. ☒ An ☐ executed ☒ unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s) ☒ also is enclosed ☐ will follow.
5. ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
6. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below ☐ and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:


| C L A I M S | | | | | |
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| | No. Of CLAIMS | | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
| Basic Application Fee | | | | | \$750.00 (1001) |
| Total Claims | 38 | MINUS 20 = | 18 | × \$18.00 (1202) = | \$324.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | MINUS 3 = | 0 | × \$84.00 (1201) = | -0- |
| If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00 (1203) | | | | | -0- |
| Total Application Fee | | | | | \$1,074.00 |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee | | | | | -0- |
| Add Assignment Recording Fee of <u>\$40.00 (8021)</u> if Assignment document is enclosed | | | | | -0- |
| TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE | | | | | \$1,074.00 |

7. ☐ This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.
8. ☒ Charge \$ 1,074.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
9. ☐ A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed for the fee due.
10. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.
11. ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence (an executed declaration referencing this amendment is enclosed or will follow):
- ☒ --This application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 10/196,160, filed on July 17, 2002, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--.
- ☐ --This application is a continuation-in-part of International Application No. __, filed on __, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--.
12. ☐ New drawings are enclosed.
13. ☐ Priority of Application No. __ filed on __ in __ (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- ☐ The certified copy of the priority application

- ☐ is enclosed
☐ was filed on _ in prior Application No. __, filed on __, and acknowledged by the Examiner on _ in Paper No. _
☐ has not yet been filed.
14. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
15. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
16. ☐ A General Authorization for Payment of Fees and Petitions for Extensions of Time is enclosed.
17. ☐ Also enclosed _.
18. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to the attorneys of Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis, L.L.P..
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☐ Recognize as Associate Attorney _.
- d. ☒ Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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